

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An engine-driven work machine comprising  
a pipe frame,  
a transportable structure ~~that is~~ attached to a the pipe frame,  
a sling fitting ~~being~~ provided above the pipe frame ~~and rotatably connected~~  
~~thereto~~ , the sling fitting having two ends, the sling fitting being hinged to the pipe  
frame at the two ends of the sling fitting for rotation of the sling fitting with respect  
to the pipe frame and to be held firmly in place on the pipe frame, and  
a stopper stopping rotation of the sling fitting in a near-vertical direction.
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Withdrawn) The engine-driven work machine as described in Claim 1, further  
comprising a shock-absorber on a side of the sling fitting.
4. (Currently Amended) The engine-driven work machine as described in Claim 1,  
wherein the sling fitting ~~having~~ has a bent section, ~~which extends~~ extending at a

right-angle to the a bottom edge of a center section, and ~~bent sections, which are~~  
approximately C-shaped in plan view and are sections provided near both adjacent  
to the two ends of the sling fitting.

5. (New) The engine-driven work machine according to Claim 4, wherein the C-shaped sections comprise hinge sections for rotationally supporting the sling fitting and for engaging with the stopper.